DECLARATION COMBINED WITH POWER OF ATTORNEY

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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, mailing address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original and first inventor or inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled SYNTHESIS OF POLYOL MEDIUM FATTY ACID POLYESTERS
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(check	[X]	is attached hereto.	
one)	[]	was filed on	as United States Application No. or
		PCT International Application No.	
		and was amended on	

(if applicable)

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, including or continuation-in-part applications, material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the international filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. §119(a)-(d) or §365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or §365(a) of any PCT International application which designated at least one country other than the United Vistates of America, listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or of any PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

d.	Prior Foreign Application	<u>n(s)</u>		Priority	Claimed
part suit	(Number)	(Country)	(Day/Month/Year Filed)	[] Yes	[] No
1 her	eby claim the benefit under	Title 35, United States Co	ode §119(e) of any United States p	rovisional ar	pplication(s) listed below.
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Ap	plication Serial No.	Filing Date	Application Serial No.		Filing Date

Thereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. §120 of any United States application(s), or §365(c) of any PCT International application designating the United States of America, listed below:

U.S. Parent Application	PCT Parent	Parent Filing Date	Parent Patent Number
Number	Number	(MM/DD/YYYY)	(If applicable)

As named inventor, I hereby appoint the registered practitioners associated with customer number 27752 to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

SEND CORRESPONDENCE TO: Customer Number __27752

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. 1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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